

BIG SANDY NEWS.

FRIDAY, FEB. 27, 1903.

THE MOST UNKIND CUT.

"I cannot sing the old songs now.
She warbled loud and clear;
To which her rival sweet replied:
"You never could, my dear."
—New York Sun.

Pure maple syrup at Sullivan's.

Fresh roasted peanuts at Robt. Burchett's.

You can find anything you want at W. N. Sullivan's.

We must unload all winter goods at reduced prices. Now is your time to save money.

G. V. MEER.

The best flour always in stock at W. N. Sullivan's.

Fresh fruit, constantly on hand at Robt. Burchett's.

For fresh groceries go to W. N. Sullivan's. This trade is increasing every month.

If you want fresh groceries you should buy from Robt. Burchett.

We are selling good furniture cheaper than other people are selling cheap furniture. Convince yourselves by looking at our stock.

SEYDER BROS.

FOR SALE:—A horse power engine and 5-horse boiler, cheap. Have just been put into first class condition. Apply to James Compton, Busseyville.

MATTRESSES, \$1.65.—We are selling mattresses at \$1.65 each, the same kind that others are asking \$1.75 to \$2.25 for.

SEYDER BROS., Louisville, Ky.

FOR SALE:—One saw mill, now at Poorhouse branch, price without tax \$100. Also, two ox teams, right yoke, with carts and chains. For terms and price, inquire of H. N. Fisher, Webbville, Ky. [2-30.]

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Manger, of Washington, D. C., will go to Silver City, N. M., to take a position with a wholesale grocery house. Mrs. Manger was Miss Vessie McCure, a Louisville girl.

Isom Boyd died at his home on Nat's creek on the 24th, in the 80th year of his age. He was a brother of Mrs. Wm. Castle, of this place. Out of seven members of the family, this is the first death in fifty years.

Capt. O. D. Botner has purchased from Dr. York the house and lot recently sold to the Doctor. He became dissatisfied with the place he now occupies and will move back to the other house.

Quarterly meeting will be held at the M. E. Church South Saturday by Presiding Elder S. A. Donahoe. Preaching at 7 o'clock Saturday evening and at the usual hours on Sunday.

LATER:—A letter from Rev. Donahoe says he is compelled to postpone this meeting until March 6th.

Coal thieves have been unusually bold and industrious here this winter. They have been kept so busy watching for coal trains, from which they have the best of lumps, that they have not had time to do any legitimate work; and thereby hangs another unfolded tale—man can not live by coal alone. The mystery is, how do they get food. The same amount of industry and vigilance exerted to an honorable way would earn coal, food and clothing for their families. But some people will work harder to steal a quarter than would be necessary to earn a dollar.

From an article in the Courier-Journal we take the following:

Col. J. H. Northrup, of Louisville, Ky., who was in the city Tuesday attending the meeting of the Coal Operator's Committee of the Kentucky Exhibit Association, is enthusiastic over the outlook for the Big Sandy country. Col. Northrup has always had faith in the future of that part of the State and, in consequence of his years of experience there, is familiar with every detail of its resources and its development. He is at the head of two large coal companies, besides being interested in other enterprises, and is one of the solid men that part of the State. Two railroads—the extension of the Big Sandy branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio, and a new line of the Norfolk and Western—are rapidly building through the Sandy region into the heart of a coal field of wonderful richness. A large amount of capital has been invested in coal land by Northern and Eastern men, not as a speculation, but for the purpose of opening coal mines and erecting coke ovens. The Northern Coal and Coke Company, which was organized by John C. Mayo, is one of the largest of these, and owns thousands of acres of valuable land.

"The general prosperity that is coming to the section will give our active young men something to do and stop them from going away to other States in search of better fields. Many young men have left the Sandy country in search of the opportunities they could not find there, and have shown their capacity by winning great success elsewhere."

Death of J. C. Butler.

On last Saturday morning Mr. J. C. Butler passed away at his home in Louisville. Consumption had been making inroads upon his health for a year or more, and during the past few months he had been unable to do any work. For two days previous to his death it was evident that the end was near. At five o'clock on the morning of the 22nd, Mr. Butler breathed his last so peacefully that the watchers at his bedside scarcely knew when the dissolution occurred.

The funeral services took place Monday at 10:30 a. m. from the M. E. Church, South. Dr. J. M. Boland, the pastor, paid a deserved tribute to the deceased and spoke words of comfort to his stricken family and bereaved friends; and the choir rendered appropriate music. The church was filled almost to its utmost capacity, showing the esteem and sympathy of the community. Interment in Pine Hill Cemetery followed immediately after the funeral.

Mr. Butler was in his 43rd year. A wife and two children, Mabel and Ray, ages 16 and 13, survive. He was truly a good citizen, upright in his dealings with all men, industrious, and of more than ordinary intelligence. His death is a loss to the community, and a calamity to his family, to whom he was thoroughly devoted.

The following friends and relatives from other places attended the funeral:

H. B. Butler, of Pittsburg, Pa.; Mrs. C. H. Borders, of Catlettsburg; Mrs. R. F. Conway, of Covington, Ky.; Mrs. G. B. Gray and children, of Mt. Savage; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson, of Ashland; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnson and daughter, Emma, and Mr. B. P. Johnston and daughter, of Thickertown, W. Va.; Mrs. Estelle Lockwood and daughter, and Miss Grace Lockwood, of Lockwood.

The Catlettsburg Daily Press says:—"Yesterday Sallie Stevens, a seventeen year old girl from Louisville, who has been staying with Mrs. Wm. Feig, departed from the city on the evening O. & N. train, taking with her quite a number of Mrs. Feig's possessions."

"Having secreted Mrs. Feig's best dress, her pocket book containing change, a gold ring and several other articles among her belongings, she then boldly went through Mrs. Feig's room, put on her broadcloth coat and ten dollar hat and went to the depot just in time to catch the evening train, while Mrs. Feig was in the back part of the house where the bakery is and knew nothing of her departure."

After discovering that Sallie was gone Mrs. Feig soon learned that she had helped herself before going, so immediately telegraphed to Louisville, asking the police at that place to arrest her if she came there."

Sallie came to Louisville and was arrested. Mrs. Feig also came and recovered most of her property. Sallie was locked up, but immediately set up such a pitiful wail that Mrs. Feig was moved to implore the authorities to release her, agreeing to take her back to Catlettsburg. This was agreed to by all concerned, and the couple departed on the next train. It is said that Sallie has since returned to Louisville.

The School Extension.

Next week we shall probably publish the list of contributors to the fund for the extension of the Louisville schools, with the amount subscribed by each. The list has received several additions, but the fund is still considerably short of the amount needed for three months. The time has come when the matter must be settled one way or the other, as the regular term is almost at an end.

Have You Heard That—

Among the new things at Conley's store are the latest styles in box paper, tablets and envelopes, in white, blue, cream, lavender and all the fashionable tints.

Is Books—The Virginian, The Leopard's Spots, A Speckled Bird, Cealla, The Sponders, Audrey, For Love of Crown, Red Potage, Caleb West, The Gaddy, Nell Gwyn, The Maid of Maiden Lane, Tattle Tales of Cupid, Opening a Chestnut Burr and six other books by the same author. Hundreds of other good books in paper and cloth. All \$1.50 books are sold here at \$1.25.

Cincinnati Markets.

CATTLE. Active, strong; shippers' \$4.35@4.45; butcher steers, good to choice \$4.25@4.35; common to fair \$4.05@4.15; hogs, good to choice \$4.05@4.15; extra \$4.05@4.15; common to fair \$3.85@3.95; extra \$4.15@4.25; common to fair \$3.85@3.95; extra \$4.15@4.25; common to fair \$3.85@3.95; extra \$4.15@4.25; common to fair \$3.85@3.95; extra \$4.15@4.25.

CALVES. Extremely dull and lower; \$3.25@3.35; fair to good \$3.25@3.35; common and large \$3.25@3.35.

HOGS. Large, weak, good to choice packers' \$6.90@7.05; mixed \$6.75@6.90; common to choice heavy fat sows \$6.25@6.50; light \$6.00@6.25; pigs (100 lbs and less) \$5.00@5.25.

SHEEP. Slow; extra ewes and wethers \$4.65@4.85; good to choice \$4.35@4.55; common to fair \$4.15@4.35.

ANOTHER RAILROAD.

Thought to be Heading Toward the Upper Big Sandy Valley.

The Courier-Journal says:

The rumors of the sale of the Louisville and Atlanta railroad are not credited here. A special telegram from Chicago to the Wall-street Summary says that the railroad has been purchased by a syndicate composed of J. Wesley Allison, of New York, and others. The Louisville, Ky., News said last week that a rumor was being circulated to the effect that the Louisville and Nashville was seeking to get control of the road.

Mr. A. E. Richards, general counsel of the Louisville and Atlantic, said yesterday that he knew that no sale had been made.

"The stock of the company, which is \$1,000,000, is owned by seven men, the largest holder being James B. Haggin, of New York. The investment has proved a profitable one and I do not believe they will. The earnings have been sufficient to pay the interest on the \$1,000,000 bonds which have been issued and to have a surplus. This surplus has been devoted to improving the road and the extension from Irvine to Heavysville Junction was made that way."

The Louisville and Atlantic is 105 miles long and runs from Versailles eastwardly to Beattyville Junction. It has connection with the Southern railway at Versailles, crosses it again at Nicholasville, crosses the Louisville and Nashville at Richmond and connects with the Lexington and Eastern at Beattyville Junction. It is proposed to extend the line from Beattyville ninety miles south through Owsley, Clay and Knox counties to Pineville, in Bell county, to a connection with the Louisville and Nashville near Cumberland Gap.

Another proposed extension is from Beattyville east to Prestonsburg and then south to a connection with the Norfolk & Western at St. Paul, Va.

If the roads should pass into the hands of the Louisville & Nashville the proposed extension to Pineville would probably be abandoned as that road has its "Knoxville branch" occupying nearly the same territory.

It is known, however, that the Louisville and Nashville desires to reach the great undeveloped section of the mountain country in Breathitt, Perry, Knott, Floyd, Pike, Magoffin or other counties, a section rich in ore, oil and lumber. The shortest and best way to reach this section from the Louisville & Nashville is from Richmond to Beattyville over the Louisville and Atlantic in the same general direction of the proposed Prestonsburg extension.

It is believed to be but a question of time until either the Louisville and Atlantic or the Lexington and Eastern, probably both of them, will pass into the hands of one of the big systems as a gateway to the virgin mountain country of Eastern Kentucky.

The many friends of Miss Virginia Burchett, formerly of this place, but now of East Liverpool, Ohio, are glad to learn of her happy marriage to a worthy and prosperous young man of that place. She is a young lady who possesses many graces. Her sunny disposition and beauty of face and form have made her very popular among the young people wherever she has gone. She is a niece of Mr. Robt. Burchett, one of our leading grocers, and has spent much time here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Burchett. She had many admirers while here, and all our people wish her and her husband the greatest success and happiness. As stated last week she married Mr. Nathaniel McKinnon. The News joins in the hearty congratulations of her Kentucky friends.

Seeds for Farmers.

If you want to sow seeds of any quality or in any quantity, such as Kentucky Blue Grass, Imported English Blue Grass, Orchard Grass, Timothy, Oats, Black or White, Red Clover, Southern German Millet, Cow Peas, All kinds, you can get them promptly, and at reasonable prices by ordering from Z. MEER, Catlettsburg, Ky.

A local wholesale firm has an inquiry from one of its customers in Pike county, asking for information concerning Jacob Mullins, whose relatives are anxious to hear from him. The writer says that Mullins, who is described as having a hair-like, came to Ashland or Ironton several years ago—Ashland Independent.

Congressman Kehoe has succeeded in passing a resolution for the benefit of Thos. P. Salzer, of this place, referring his claim for lumber taken from him during the war by General Nelson's command. The amount is \$500. The matter is thus placed before the Court of Claims and there is little or no doubt that he will secure the amount.

Mails Up Big Sandy.

We have been overwhelmed lately by complaints about the bad mail service up Big Sandy river. A letter just received from East Point says that for three weeks the Big SANDY NEWS packages have failed to reach there, although other papers arrived with reasonable promptness. This is another phase of the matter that we cannot understand. We are reporting the facts to the postoffice department asking that an inspector be sent up this river to investigate the situation. Complaints are especially loud and frequent between Paintsville and Pikeville. Citizens of the latter place always advise mail from Louisville to be sent by way of Williamson, W. Va., as the service is much better that way.

It is said that the greater part of the trouble comes from the star route contractors up Sandy failing to provide means for transporting all the mail matter promptly. There is nearly always an accumulation of mail at some of the towns. These contractors usually bid the contracts down to a figure at which they can not afford to do work night, but that is their own fault and they should be compelled to faithfully carry out the contract. Newspaper mail is regarded as altogether unimportant by some of the employees of the mail service, but the people who pay for papers take a different view of it.

A Valentine Party.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Johnson delightfully entertained a large number of the young people of Pikeville at their pleasant home on the night of St. Valentine's Day. The good old saint himself, together with the indecent little god cupid, were the patrons of the affair, and it is needless to say that everything passed off in the nicest style. Mrs. Johnson is a charming hostess and made everybody feel at home. Mr. Johnson is all right, too, except that he has difficulty in dodging trained gowns. The bright spirits of the guests was in direct contrast with the stormy night but everything was the more enjoyable for it.

A new fangled game of hearts was played in which the married people (who had had experience before, and already secured their valentines) proved their superiority. The first gentleman's prize was won by Mr. John Patrick. Mrs. O. S. Horton won the first ladies' prize. They were a silver back comb and a cut glass bottle of perfume respectively. Fred Atkinson got the "shabby prize" which was a box of delicious candy. Many thought he knew what the prize was in advance.

Delicious refreshments were served as a fitting climax to a most thoroughly enjoyable evening. There were no comic valentines except "Miles." The report that the editor was unable to attend until he had sent his trousers to the tailor is denounced as a base slander—Pikeville Independent.

Who Is Your Insurance Man?

One is quite often asked who is his lawyer or his tailor or his doctor, but today we ask you a question of greater import—Who is your Insurance Man? Is he one who will beat both you and his Company with equal fairness? Some agents, it is said, will, in their dealing, give either the assured or the assured the hot end of the deal. And while the agent may be reliable in every respect, the company he represents may be not altogether what a prudent man, investing in something as vital as Life Assurance, desires it to be. Life Assurance is no longer something which business men throw upon or speculate about as a scheme which may or may not be taken hold of. The best business men look upon it as the best of investments. You no longer have to quit breathing to win the game, properly taken. Life Assurance brings sure returns to you while you still live to enjoy them. But be sure of getting the right sort of Agent and the right sort of Company. The best combination we know of is the Mutual Life of New York and Frank Yates, of Louisville. Do you want a "fair dingle"? Frank will give it to you. Do you want to cast your lot with a company with millions of capital, directed and managed by a directory composed of the best financiers on earth? Then you can make no mistake when you say to the Mutual, "Insure me!"

These are not idle vapors nor empty boasts. The Company has compilations of facts and figures which are eminently convincing and conclusive. A short newspaper paragraph can not present more than declaration of the value of assurance and the reliability of companies and agents, and we here epitomize and put into this nutshell of space the whole matter: See Yates and Insure in the Mutual!

Canvasser Wanted.

A capable, experienced and reliable canvasser can secure a position with the Big Sandy News at good wages.

PERSONALS.

W. E. Eldridge was in Ashland Wednesday.

J. H. McClure, of Gallup, was in Louisville Monday.

Mayor A. O. Carter was in Catlettsburg Tuesday.

J. H. Cooper returned yesterday from Catlettsburg.

E. C. McMillen, of Huntington, was in Louisville Monday.

Mrs. L. H. Stringfellow, of Whitehouse, was in Louisville Monday.

H. F. Custer, of Columbus, O., was a business visitor here Monday.

Judge W. W. Marcum, of Ceredo, W. Va., was in Louisville Wednesday.

J. C. Burchett, of Panther, W. Va., has been visiting Louisville relatives.

S. J. Justice, our efficient railroad agent, was in Louisville this week.

Rev. J. W. Hampton, of Ashland, was a business visitor in Louisville Wednesday.

County Supt. and Mrs. R. W. Ho brook have returned from Louisville.

Mrs. M. S. Burns and daughter, Shirley, went to Catlettsburg Thursday.

Mrs. C. C. Sullivan, of Ashland, is the guest of her sons, W. N. and H. C. Sullivan.

Mrs. F. B. Harrington is expected here soon from New York to visit home folks.

Miss Lucie Staten, of Huntington, W. Va., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. G. Burchett.

Miss Sadie Reynolds attended the wedding of her brother J. Frank Reynolds and Miss Estelle Poynter at Mt. Sterling Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Miller returned to their home at Canal Winchester, Ohio, Tuesday, after a visit to their son, C. L. Miller.

Mrs. Landon Lawson and daughter Lucie, of Frankfort, and Miss Octavia Leslie, of Pikeville, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dixon.

Jas. Hodgins, proprietor of the Royal Hotel at Inez, was in Louisville the first of the week to see his old friends, of whom he has many here.

J. A. Abbott was at home a few days ago on a brief visit. He is looking after business in Floyd county for the Standard Lumber Company.

Mrs. T. J. Riffe and little son, of Pence Springs, W. Va., and Mrs. O. L. Bobbitt and little daughter of Hinton, W. Va., are guests of Mrs. Fannie Wade.

Mrs. C. C. Hill, of Louisa, Ky., was the guest of her parents—Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Marcum—last Saturday and Sunday. She left here Monday for Hurricane, Putnam county, to attend a double wedding and will return to this place the latter part of this week and remain here until the first of next week.—Ceredo Advance.

Watson G. Caudill, of Letcher county, has announced himself a candidate for Representative from the Ninety-third district, composed of the counties of Letcher, Knott and Floyd. Mr. Caudill is a Democrat.

B. E. Johnson, alias J. W. Chaffin, of Pike county, is in jail at Lexington upon a charge of forgery. He is said to have passed a forged check upon a hotel of that city. C. P. Flannery & Co., of Wise, Va., also claim that he caught them for \$150 on a check with B. E. Johnson's name forged to it.

DONITHAN

Our Sunday School is in fine condition.

Mrs. Minnie Wallace is visiting home folks.

Miss Grace Chapman and Sheridan Dobbins called on Miss Belle Vinson Sunday.

We are sorry to say that death has taken Mrs. Fred Berry's baby—a little girl.

Married, on last Saturday, Taylor Frazier and Miss Florence Derfield. May their pathway be strewn with flowers.

John Vinson visited L. K. Vinson Sunday.

Belle Vinson, Sheridan Dobbins and Grace Chapman called on Carrie Vinson Sunday.

The revival has closed at Donithan. I don't think there will be many chickens left after the weddings go off.

Andy Chapman has returned from Dwight, Va.

Miss Clara Lambert visited her mother at Torchblight recently.

Doek Bramham visited Geo. E. Chapman Sunday.

Mrs. Daisy Vinson visited Mrs. L. K. Vinson last week.

Engene Wallace and father are out cattle buying.

Mrs. William Hall and mother-in-law were calling on Mrs. E. Stansbury last week.

Taylor Frazier has moved to his new home on Donithan.

Let us hear from Taddell, Rocky Valley, Yorkville and Fort Gay.

Two Sisters.

REWARD of five cents for each tie caught and held until taken up by drifters. Brands B, 40 and single B.

J. E. BLACKBURN, M. V. FRAZIER.

200 white oak piling 22 feet long, 8 inches at tip. Delivered at any siding on the Big Sandy Division.

JAY H. NORTHUP

SHOES!

RETAILING SHOES AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

Dutch Shoes for children 5 to 8	35
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Dutch Shoes for women 3 to 7	65
Women's fine kid shoes for	75
Women's kid—extended soles	1.00
Children's fine kid shoes 5 to 11	50
Men's brogan shoes, worth \$1.00, for	75
Men's fine shoes—all leather	1.00
Men's tan shoes, worth \$2.00, for	1.25
Boys' tan shoes for	75
Boys' boots—red top for	69



Men's Royal Blue Tan Shoes, worth \$3.50 a pair, for **\$2.00**



Men's best brogan shoes—oil, grain, split or kip, for	\$1.25
Men's split boots for	\$1.50
Moccasins for the baby	15c
Old ladies' shoes, fleece lined, good and warm	\$1.00

THE ROYAL BLUE and WALK-OVER for men, from \$3.50 to \$4.00.

"QUEEN QUALITY" MAKE.

Columbia	\$2.00
Royal	25.0
Queen Quality	3.00

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Just Across the River

In West Virginia.

Messrs. Harvey Bloss, of Dickson, and Charles Barnett, of Fort Gay, have recently had their pensions increased—the first named to \$17 and the last to \$14 a month.

West Virginia judicial districts are to be reconstructed by the present Legislative. Cabell and Wayne will form a district. Mingo, Mercer and McDowell; Logan, Boone and Wyoming.

How To Dehorn Calves.

The horns of a young calf are merely horny buttons fastened to the skin only. Owing to this fact, dehorning before a calf is three weeks old is easily done. If the calf is allowed to carry its horns much longer, it will be found they have grown to the bone, and their removal will be considerably more difficult.

Up to three weeks of age, caustic potash will readily remove the horns. Care should be used that the potash is fresh. Old or dissolved potash is likely to be weak and ineffective. No potash should be allowed to come in contact with the flesh of the animal. It may prove helpful to grease the flesh up close to the horn, so that the potash may be kept off. All that is necessary then is to moisten the potash and rub it over the button. If these directions are followed and the potash has not lost its strength, the horns will be lost forever. The value of having no horns on cattle is so great and is now so well recognized that no argument in its favor is needed. Just one word regarding caustic potash—do not allow it to touch your hands, as they would likely become very sorely burned.

Wanted.

200 white oak piling 22 feet long, 8 inches at tip. Delivered at any siding on the Big Sandy Division.

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YATESVILLE

We are hoping for the present breaking up of the blizzard to be permanent. The past few days up to the present writing has been an unpleasant surprise to our farmers who are short of feed stuff.

There is much sickness throughout our section. The general complaint is lagrip.

Carter & Chaffin, our bustling merchants, have closed a couple of deals by which the people of our community are to be furnished with bread for the next few months if they can get the kale seed to pay for it. They have bought the Jones & Simpson mill that was set up here some weeks ago. It is an excellent steam grist mill, and they have bought 40